

Lindsay Pettus Greenway, Inc.
Grant Report
Project Name: Lindsay Pettus Greenway-Greenway Expansion (Phase 2)
12.09.2025

Project: The funded project was the construction of a segment of the Lindsay Pettus Greenway, a public walking and cycling path, which extended the trail 7/10ths of a mile from near Forest Drive at Gillsbrook Road to near Woodland Drive at Marion Sims Drive. This segment is called the MUSC-Lancaster connector, and connects the greenway to the MUSC-Lancaster medical campus, comprised of the hospital and medical arts offices, as well as to the historic Sunny Hills neighborhood.

Goals Achieved: It has been a goal of the Lindsay Pettus Greenway, Inc. to provide a connection to the hospital campus and Sunny Hills neighborhood since the master plan for the greenway was adopted. One of the primary goals of the greenway is to provide connection to critical services and points of interest all across the community, inclusive of all socio-economic demographics. In completing this project, the greenway reaches residential areas spanning all socio-economic demographics, several schools, financial service businesses, government offices, public welfare services, retail businesses, parks, and medical offices.

How the Public Benefits: The Lindsay Pettus Greenway is now a 3+ mile linear park that connects people to places throughout the City of Lancaster, SC. It is a safe, alternative means of transportation for residents without reliable auto transportation in a community without public transportation. It is also a safe place to cycle, walk, run, and play away from traffic and provides residents with proximity to a free, public park for recreation and fitness opportunities. Four schools lie directly adjacent to the trail, so that students can safely walk or cycle to school. It provides a venue for clubs and service organizations to host fitness events, fundraising runs and walks, public arts events and installations, and community entertainment events. When the effort to build a greenway first began, the City of Lancaster ranked in the bottom quartile of residents living within .5 miles of a public park. This project provides park access to apartment complexes and single-family residential neighborhoods along the greenway corridor. The greenway is accessible to everyone and imposes no entry fees, parking fees, or other charges.

Future Plans: The Lindsay Pettus Greenway Master Plan includes 6 miles of hard-surface trail. An additional \$1.2MM segment has been funded by the SCDOT Transportation Alternative Program. This segment will connect the primary trail to the SC Highway 9 By-Pass at the Wal-Mart retail area, which would give trail users access to more retail outlets, restaurants, pharmacies, and other services. The University of SC Lancaster campus and the Gregory YMCA lie just across the highway at this point, and USCL has plans to fund a pedestrian crossing that will connect the Gregory Family YMCA and the USCL campus to the greenway and to this retail area. Finally, The Lindsay Pettus Greenway, Inc. leadership continues to work with local and state government to secure funding for its next priority segment. This segment is estimated to cost \$3.5MM and will connect the trail to the Melvin Steele Soccer Complex and the Lancaster County Recreation Department Springdale Road facilities and parking area.